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Memorandum for the Director's Log

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In accordance with instructions received through Mr. Kirkpatrick, I informed Mr. Flanagan, General Counsel of the Senate Investigating (McCarthy) Subcommittee that CIA would not be able to furnish any information to the Committee in reply to its request for information as to the newspapers and periodicals to which CIA subscribes. Mr. Flanagan then asked whether we would be willing to furnish the information on a classified basis, and I informed him that we would not. Mr. Flanagan stated that he would "pass this information on". In reply to his previous query as to whether he could talk with the CIA representative on the Cargo Subcommittee of EDAC, I informed him that CIA members on such groups were there to furnish factual information and not to enter into policy decisions, and that therefore we could not make our man available for questioning. He stated that this was all right, as the Committee had made other arrangements in connection with this inquiry.

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